

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, and 9-18 were pending in the application.

Claim 16 is allowed.

Claims 1-6, 9-15, 17 and 18 are rejected.

Claims 1, 9, 17 and 18 are amended. Applicant respectfully submits support for the amendments can be found in the specification as originally filed and that no new matter has been added; see for example at least Applicant's specification at page 187, line 14 through page 188, line 26.

Claims 1-6, and 9-18 remain pending in the application.

Requests for Examiner Interview

Should the Examiner be of the opinion that this amendment does not place the Application in a condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests an Examiner interview prior to issuance of the next communication from the USPTO to expedite prosecution.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action at page 3, the Examiner stated "Claim 16 is allowed". Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of Claim 16.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101

In the Office Action at pages 2-3, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-6, 9-15, 17 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. 101 as directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claims 1-6 and 9-15

The Examiner stated Claims 1 and 9 "...do not cite any tangible elements, i.e., a processor." Claims 2-6 and 10-15 were rejected based on their respective dependencies from Claims 1 and 9.

Claims 1 and 9 have been amended to include the elements of a "processor" and a "memory". Applicant respectfully submits Claims 1 and 9 as amended recite statutory subject matter and overcome the Examiner's rejections. Claims 2-6 and 10-15 which depend from Claims 1 and 9, respectively, also recite statutory subject matter for at least the same reasons as Claims 1 and 9.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejections of each of Claims 1-6 and 9-15.

Claim 17

The Examiner stated Claim 17 claims a computer readable medium which can contain tangible embodiments as well as non-tangible embodiments, and as such the claim is not limited to tangible embodiments.

Claim 17 has been amended to recite a "tangible" computer-readable medium "configured to store computer program code". Applicant respectfully submits Claim 17 as amended recites statutory subject matter and overcomes the Examiner's rejection.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejection of Claim 17.

Claim 18

The Examiner stated Claim 18 claims a structure comprising means for performing and the limitations merely cite an arrangement of data, or a data structure.

Claim 18 has been amended to recite a "computer system" having a "processor" and a "memory", the memory having a "security management system" comprising the means for limitations. Applicant respectfully submits Claim 18 as amended recites statutory subject matter and overcomes the Examiner's rejection.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejection of Claim 18.

Conclusion

Claims 1-6 and 9-18 remain in the application.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant(s).

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